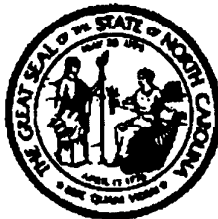


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NOTICE

To Workers' Compensation Insurance Carriers, Third Party Administrators, Self-Insured Employers and
Workers' Compensation Medical Bill Processors

In recent months, the Commission has received reports that some payor entities do not submit medical reimbursement checks and the explanation of payment in the same mailing. The separate mailing of these two items has caused problems among the provider community.

The current North Carolina Industrial Commission Workers' Compensation Medical Fee Schedule states, "Payments remitted to Payees shall contain a statement that the bill has been recalculated in accordance with the Commission's fee schedule and shall include workpapers {i.e., explanation of payment} showing the recalculation". Workers' Compensation Payors must give medical providers timely medical reimbursement. The reimbursement check and the explanation of payment must be submitted together.

The Commission will monitor compliance with this directive, and issue penalties or sanctions as appropriate. If your company is not in compliance at this time, contact the Medical Fees Section at (919) 807-2503 so that a proper extension may be granted.

This the 11th Day of June, 2001.

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